colossal amounts of private funds through public issues of shares and bonds and that such issues are successful not because of desirability of the proposed industrial projects but only due to the gimmicks of publicity and the greed of colluding brokers;

(b) if so, whether, in view of the above, there is any proposal under Government's consideration to impose a ceiling on such issues to prevent concentration of wealth in a few large companies and protect the innocent investors from potential disaster; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) The public limited companies are permitted to raise funds from their shareholders/public for financing the project/working capital needs and thus the size of the issue would depend on the requirement of the company. There is no proposal with the Government to impose ceiling on the size of the issue since the size is dependent on the requirement of the companies for new projects, expansion, modernisation and working capital.

Creation of States in the country

1063. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister has stated in a press conference in Simla on the 14th October, 1988 that no more States would be created in the country;

(b) whether it is a delared policy of Government that no more States would be formed;

(c) if so, whether the policy extends to formation of new regional councils like the one for the Gorkhas in West Bengal; and

(d) whether demands have been received from some quarters in Andhra Pradesh for creation of a regional council for Rayalseema; if so, what is Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) While replying the questions at a Press Conference, Prime Minister was reported to have said that there would be no further division of any State in the country.

(b) There is no proposal under consideration, at present, for reorganisation of any State.

(c) Formation of a regional council in a State is primarily the concern of the State Government concerned and, if required, can be brought about by a State legislation.

(d) No such demand has come to notice.

Japanese aid for increasing food production

1064. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Japan agreed to provide 600 million yen for increasing food production in our country and whether Japan has extended the same facility in the past also; and

(b) if so, what are the details of grants made since 1980 and the details of the amount spent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the grants extended by Japan to India since 1980 for increasing food production and the details of the amount spent are given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of grants extended by Japan to India since 1980-81 *for increasing food production*

(Figures in Yen Million)

S. No.	Year	Amount of Grant	Amount of Grant spent	Purpose of Grant
1	1980-81	1,000	1,000	Import of Fertilizer (Urea)
2	1985-86	1,200	1,200	Import of Fertilizer (Urea)
3	1986-87	600	600	Import of Fertilizer (Urea)
4	1987-88	600	600	Import of Fertilizer (DAP)
5	1988-89	600	—	Import of Fertilizer (DAP)
	TOTAL:	4,000	3,400	

वन क्षेत्र की परिधि से बाहर वृक्षारोपण

1065. **श्री अजीत जोगी :**
श्री चन्दन शर्मा :

क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि केन्द्रीय सरकार वन (संरक्षण) अधिनियम, 1980 के अन्तर्गत अनुमति प्रदान करते समय यह शर्त लगाती है कि वन क्षेत्र की परिधि से बाहर वृक्षारोपण के लिये वैकल्पिक भूमि उपलब्ध कराई जाए ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) क्या मध्य प्रदेश की वन सीमाओं से बाहर स्थित लगभग 23,500 वर्ग किलोमीटर के बंजर क्षेत्र पर जो कि राजस्व अभिलेखों में "बड़े अथवा छोटे झाड़ के जंगल" के रूप में दर्ज है, वृक्षारोपण के लिए वैकल्पिक भूमि के रूप में विचार किया जायेगा ?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती सुमति ओरांव) : (क) और (ख) जी, हां । वन (संरक्षण) अधिनियम, 1980 के तहत प्रस्तावों के सम्बन्ध में क्षतिपूरक वनरोपण के मानदण्डों के ब्यौरे संलग्न विवरण में दिए गए हैं (**नीचे देखिये**) ।

(ग) मध्य प्रदेश सरकार के रिकार्डों में "बड़े अथवा छोटे झाड़ के जंगल" के रूप में दर्ज भूमि को वन भूमि होने के कारण क्षतिपूरक वनरोपण के लिए गैर-वन भूमि नहीं माना जा सकता है ।

विवरण

क्षतिपूरक वनरोपण के लिए निम्नलिखित मानदण्ड निर्धारित किए गए हैं:—

(1) जहां गैर-वन भूमि उपलब्ध हो, वहां उपयोग में लाई जाने वाली वन